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SUBJ: MTN-REACTION OF MFA OFFICIALS TO AMBASSADOR STRAUSS'
VISIT

REF: BONN 15842

1. CONS. FUXA (MFA DIRECTOR OF EC AND GATT AFFAIRS) TOLD

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EMBOFF THAT VISIT OF AMBASSADOR STRAUSS HAD BEEN QUITE

USEFUL AS IT WAS OCCASIONED BY SUBSTANTIAL MOVEMENT IN

POSITIONS OF U.S. AND OTHERS SUCH AS PRIME MINISTER BARRE.

THE THOUGHT MTN NOW DEFINITELY IN MOTION. HE BELIEVED JANUARY

15 DEADLINE FOR BEGINNING NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE MET, BUT WAS

EXTREMELY DOUBTFUL THAT NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE COMPLETED BY

JULY. HE EVEN FELT IT WAS DIFFICULT TO PREDICT WHETHER THEY

COULD BE COMPLETED BY END OF 1978.

2. FUXA SAID ONE OF MAIN OBSTACLES TO RAPID CONCLUSION OF NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE PROBLEM OF REACHING AGREEMENT WITH LDCS ON WHOLE RANGE OF ISSUES OF INTEREST TO THEM. NEXT HE CITED DIFFICULTY OF REACHING US-EC AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURAL MATTERS. HE STATED FLATELY THAT EC COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY (CAP) "COULD NOT BE TOUCHED" ON THE GROUNDS THAT IT IS TOO DEEPLY IMBEDDED IN LAWS, REGULATIONS AND SOCIAL STRUCTURE OF EC MEMBER COUNTRIES. WHEN EMBOFF OBSERVED THAT ITALY WAS SEEKING TO ALTER CAP RATHER SUBSTANTIALLY, FUXA REPLIED THAT ITALY SEEKING "INTERNAL CHANGES." HE SAID EC ENLARGEMENT ALREADY PRESENTING ITALY WITH VERY GRAVE AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS AND THAT ITALY WAS, THEREFORE, LESS ABLE THAN OTHERWISE TO AGREE TO AGRICULTURAL CONCESSIONS WHICH WOULD PERMIT INCREASED EC IMPORTS OF SENSITIVE PRODUCTS FROM A GREAT NUMBER OF COUNTRIES OTHER THAN THE U.S.

3. IN BRIEF SEPARATE EXCHANGE, MINISTER CALAMIA (COORDINATOR FOR GATT AND EC AFFAIRS, I.E. FUXA'S SUPERVISOR) TOLD ECMIN HE BELIEVED AMBASSADOR STRAUSS' VISIT HAD BEEN USEFUL IN FOCUSING ATTENTION OF RELEVANT MINISTERS ON MTN ISSUES. WHEN ECMIN REMARKED THAT HE HAD COME AWAY FROM TALKS WITH DEFINITE IMPRESSIONS THAT ITALY WOULD SUPPORT ACCEPTANCE OF SWISS FORMULA AS WORKING HYPOTHESIS AND PROPOSED TIMETABLE, CALAMIA, EVER CAUTIOUS, REPLIED "WE ARE ONLY ONE OUT OF NINE."HOLMES LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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